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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Pao-Chuan LIU Conf.: 2865
Appl. No.: 10/749,404 Group: 3679
Filed: January 2, 2004 Examiner: D. BOCHNA
For: IMPROVED PIPE CONNECTOR

SMALL ENTITY TRANSMITTAL FORM

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

January 7, 2005

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27.
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|---|---|---|----|---|------------------|-------|-------------------|
| TOTAL | 15 | - | 20 | = | 0 | \$25 | \$0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | 1 | - | 3 | = | 0 | \$100 | \$0.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | | \$180 | \$0.00 |
| | | | | | | TOTAL | \$0.00 |

Petition for () month(s) extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.17 and 1.136(a). \$0.00 for the extension of time.

No fee is required.

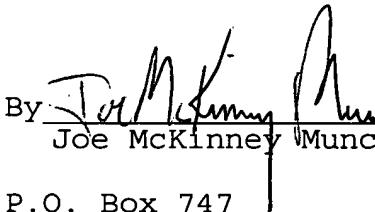
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Respectfully submitted,

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MS AMENDMENT
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REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In reply to the Office Action dated October 7, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This reply includes Amendments to the Claims and Remarks.